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TELEPHONE SERVICE IN BIHAR
RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the scheme to provide telephone services in all the villages of Muzaffarpur, Vaishali and Sitamarhi districts of Bihar;

(b) the names of villages in the said districts where more than ten persons have applied for telephone connections;

(c) the number of telephone exchange proposed to be set up in the said districts; and

(d) the time by which these exchanges are likely to be set up ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) As per the objectives of the 9th plan and NTP-99 (National Telecom. Policy-1999), telephones will be provided on demand by the year 2002 in all the urban and rural areas including all the villages. In order to achieve this objective, new technologies like WLL systems and C-DOT TDMA PMP are being inducted in the rural network.

(b) The names of villages in the said districts where more than ten persons have applied for telephone connections are as under :

1. MUZAFFARPUR: Kharaunadih, Pear/Mutlupur, Marichbaghi, Panapur- Nariyar, Jajuar, Tangraha, Siho, Dubha, Phulwaria Birhimabazar, Bakhra, Basantpur, Jafarpur, Panapur-Karat and Rasulpurbazar.

2. SITAMARHI: Nanpur, Belasantipkutir, Janipur, Baribento, Pokharbhinda, Piprahi, Mahuawa, Bathnah, Athari and Kumbha.

3. VAISHALI: Madarna Raghopur,Chakausam,Murtazapur, Simarwara, Agrai Khurad, Husepur,Bahunara, Sahawajpur Puraina Chiknauta and Bakhridua.

(c) & (d): It is proposed to set up about 36 exchanges in these three districts. Of these, 20 exchanges are expected to be commissioned during current financial year and the remaining 16 exchanges during the next financial year.